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Pennsylvania Ag Department Checking Dairy

HARRISBURG — Dr. William L. Henning, State Secretary of Agriculture, announced that two Department bacteriologists have been assigned to the Queen Dairy in Lancaster beginning at 5 30 a m Wednesday.

He said the men will check complete operation of the plant as it starts to receive milk from 58 of the 68 farms from which deliveries were shut off on Dec. 6 when the first of more than 190 cases of paratyphoid fever were traced to the Queen Dairy.

Milk Under Observation

Bacteriologists Elwood Schafer and William Semerod are being sent to Lancaster from the Department's division of milk sanitation They will test samples at every stage of milk plant operation down to the sealing of bottles. Wednesday's milk will be held under strict observation and testing until Friday when first deliveries will be made.

"Every precaution will be taken to see that milk for consumers is the best that scientific methods of proper pasteurization and handling can produce," Dr. Henning declared.

Two Queen Dairy workers who were found to be infected with parathyphoid have been excluded from further participation in operation of the plant

Dumping Stopped Monday

Prior to the Dec. 6 shutdown 68 farms supplied the Queen Dairy with milk. Laboratory examinations of specimens from each resident revealed presence of the disease in four people on two of the farms and no disease on 58 farms. Tests on the remaining eight farms are incomplete.

Dumping of milk from the 58 farms stopped Monday when a manufacturing supplier agreed to take their production through today or until the plant receives the milk starting Wednesday morning.

Kirkwood Farmwife Wins Silverware Set

Mrs. Hervey R. Ferguson of Walnut Groves Farms, Kirkwood, has been named a winner in the nationwide General Mills-Larro Feeds contest for naming twin heifer calves.

Announcement of the award, a set of silverware, was made by S N. Hertzler, field representative of General Mills, and A L. Herr & Bro., Quarryville, local dealer

Mr Hertzler reports Mrs Ferguson was the sole winner in his Chester - Delaware - Lancaster Counties area.

Secretary of Defense Wilson recently said there would be no significant change either in the spending or the size of the military establishment in the next fiscal year.

Merry Christmas Lancaster Farming

Here's a quiet Lancaster County country scene, a quiet, snow-covered Christmas, photographed on the farm of Irvin Martin, R1, Lititz. Crossing the snow-covered bridge, heading for sledding, is the Martin's son.

Is There A Santa Claus?

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of **The Sun:**

> Dear Editor: I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in **The Sun,** it's so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?
>
> Virginia O'Hanlon
> 115 W. Ninety-Fifth Street

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view the picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

— From the **New York Sun** of September 21, 1897.

Lancaster Egg Breakfast Slated

January—Egg Month—will be launched with a Lancaster County Egg Breakfast at Hotel Brunswick Wednesday morning, Jan. 4 at eight o'clock.

Kicking off Egg Month will be two cooperating agencies, the Lancaster Poultry Association and the Poultry and Egg National Board. A committee of three is making arrangements: Jim Dorsey of Indian River Hatchery; Mrs. Marie Texter, Sexed Chicks, East Petersburg, and Earl Reeves, Miller & Bushong.

State Tobacco Experiment Farm To Rapho Twp.

Tobacco growers in this section of the State will start to receive benefits of the relocated Southeastern Pennsylvania Field Research Laboratory almost immediately, it was indicated today in an announcement from a volunteer citizens' committee and Pennsylvania State University.

The present farm near Landisville has been sold and a second purchased a mile and a half nothwest of there, 88 acres in Rapho Township north of the By-Pass. Purchaser of the 31-acre Landisville site with buildings was F. S McDonald, 40 Stanley Ave., Landisville for $33,000. Purchase price of the new site was not disclosed.

Expand Other Research

When in operation, the new laboratory will serve directly 15 southeastern Pennsylvania counties Dr. M. A. Farrell, director of the Pennsylvania State University college of agriculture experiment station, said the college expects to expand research on small grains, legumes grasses, tomatoes, tybrid corn, as well as in tobacco

A local committee, with A. G. Bucher as key man, handled details of the sale-purchase through John F. Weaver, Inc. Lancaster.

Local Committee Acts

Landisville was selected several years ago for the station, uut there was no room for expansion. About a year or a year and a half ago, a local committee was named to check on a new location, one offering more acreage, yet near the old site. The University board of trustees ruled that the farm in use must be sold before final acquisition of another was made. The option has been exercised and purchase will be soon completed.

Owners of the Rapho Township property were William K. and Mildred Risser. The voluntary local group acted as an in-

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Lancaster Will Observe Holiday In Market Hours

Holiday schedules will go into effect at most Lancaster Co. Markets Christmas and New Year's

Lancaster Union Stock Yards will be closed to trading Monday, Dec. 26, and on the New Year's Holiday, Monday, Jan. 2, 1956 Market will operate as usual Tuesday Dec. 27 and Tuesday Jan. 3 Cattle arriving on the holidays will be yarded fed and watered.

The five Lancaster farmers' markets will operate on regular schedule, with the exception of Central Market, which will be open Saturday from 5:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Southern Market will maintain regular hours Friday and Saturday. Arcade and West End will be open from 7 a m to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. No change in hours was announced for Fulton Market.

Banks, post offices, business firms locally as well as major commodity markets throughout the nation will be closed both Mondays.

Barrows, Gilts Steady; Cattle Supplies Small

WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

By David S. Lorenson, Reporter USDA Market News Bureau

Lancaster, Pa. — (Wednesday to Wednesday Livestock Market Review)—Cattle: 1647, week ago 3236 Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter steers 1200 lbs and lighter and grading average choice and better steady, others slow weak to 50c lower Most decline on good averaging 1250 lbs and over. Heifers scarce, slow steady to weak. Canner, cutter and utility cows fully 25c higher, Commercia steady Bulls in small supply, mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow, about steady.

Supplies smallest for a three-day period this year. Around 65 per cent were stockers and feeders, approximately 10 percent cows Bulk choice fed steers 1200 lbs and lighter $20.00-21 50, a few head to $22 50 Good 950-1300-lb steers $17 50-19 00, some commercial $15 00-17 00 Commercial and good heifers $14 50-17.50. Utility and commercial cows mostly $11 50-13.00; canners and cutters $8 50-11 50 a few high yielding cutters to $12 00. Utility and commercial bulls $14.50-17 50; cutters $13 50- 14 00. Numerous loads medium and good 600-900-lb stocker and feeder steers $15 00-$18 00. load 980-lb good and choice feeder steers $18.50. Part loads 575-875 lb good and choice feeder steers $19 50-20 00 Several loads common 600-750

lbs $12 00-14.00 Load good and choice 483-lb stock steer calves $19 50.

Calves: 972 week ago 757. Vealers around $2.00 lower than last Wednesday. Most decline on good and low choice. Late sales good and choice vealers $22.00-27.00, a few to $28.00. Prime early from $30.00-34.00, a few to $35 00. Utility and commercial $14 00-21.00 cull down to $12 00.

Hogs: 1164, week ago 1612. Compared with last Wednesday: Barrows and gilts mostly steady, sows scarce all week, unchanged. Wednesday's sales barrows and gilts U. S. 1-3, 180-250 lbs $12.50-13.00 A few lots mostly U. S. 1 and 2 to local small killers, 180-220 lbs 813.25-13 50 A few around 270 lb down to $12 25. Sows this week $11.00-11 50 for weights 400 lbs and lighter, over 400 lbs $10 00-10.75.

Sheep. 257, week ago 226. Compared with last Wednesday slaughter lambs mostly steady. Bulk good and choice wooled slaughter lambs $18 00-20.00, a few high choice to low prime $20 50; utility and low good $14 00-17 00; cull down to $10.00.

Can't Resist Posters.

Louisville, Ky.—Capt. John S. Bromley admits he never could resist a recruiting poster. At 17, he saw a poster urging him to "Join the Navy." He did, after four years with the Navy and Marine Corps, he was discharged. The next year, he joined the Air Force, ending his hitch in Japan in 1949 Before being discharged, however, Bromley saw another poster, which urged, "Join the Army." His transfer was ararnged and after officer-candidate school, he was sent to Korea for eighteen months. Now, he's at Fort Knox, test-flying wrecked airplanes—after they've been rebuilt.

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Thursday Sale Of Poultry at Seasonal Lows

Lancaster Poultry Exchange —Rohrerstown, Pa. - Sales Report, Sale 108, Thursday, Dec. 15, 1955) — Prices moved to seasonal lows in the Thursday auction of poultry here, with a low of 17¾ and a high of 19¾. Twenty-two lots of 37,125 birds were listed 21 lots of 33,725 offered and 14 lots of 23,725 sold. Thirteen lots of broilers totaling 23,524 averaged 19.11. One lot of 300 heavy fowl sold at 28 cents.

A year ago on the corresponding day, Thursday, Dec. 16, 1954, 12 lots of 42,275 including two lots of 75 turkeys, were offered, eight lots of 25,075 birds sold at 18½ to 19¾, averaging 18 9.

Thursday sales by seller & grower, amount and breed, buyer and price follow:

Wenger's Mill (Joseph Deitz) 1500 White Cross to Victor F. Weaver Inc. 18; Ephraim M. Hernley 300 Cornish Cross fowls to Walter B Lehman 28; Paul K Shoemaker 1200 White Vantress to S. E Davis 19¾; James P Kendig 2300 Red Vantress, no sale, 18¼ bid; Jonas K. Fisher 325 Silver Hamps to Roy E. Ream 18¾; Rodney Miller 650 Silver Cross Cockerels caponized, no sale, 19 bid;

Robert Bollinger 200 White Rock Cross to Grimes & Hauer 17¾. Arlene Funk 500 Meatpackers, no sale, 18¼ bid; Roy M. Good, 800 Red and White Vantress, no sale 18¼ bid; Stegmenten's Farm 3000 White Cross no sale, 16¼ bid; and same consignor, 2000 Indian River Cross, no sale, 16¼ bid; Miller & Bushong (Stanley Carpenter) 4500 Red and White Vantress to Grimes and Hauer 19;

Miller & Bushong (Stanley Carpenter) 3400 Red Vantress to Grimes & Hauer 18¾; Miller & Bushong (Joshua King) 2600 White Vantress to Grimes & Hauer 19½; Miller & Bushong (J. Irvin Denlinger) 3400 White Cross, withdrawn prior to sale; Miller & Bushong (Paul Livingood) 1150 Red Vantress to Victor F. Weaver, Inc. 18¾; Miller and Bushong (Paul Livingood) 650 Red Vantress to Victor F. Weaver. Inc. 18¾ bid; Carl B Zeager, 500 Red Vantress to Walter C. Mellinger 18¾ H. H. Fitz & Son, 1000 White Vantress, to Producers Coop xc. 18½; Miller & Bushong (Walter Kinsey) 3400 White Cross to Mandata Poultry 19¾; Miller & Bushong (Glenn Deardorff) 3000 Red and White Vantress to Mandata Poultry 19½.

LIVE POULTRY

Philadelphia Dec 21—Market unsettled. Most classes were in more than ample supply for the fair but very selective demand. Large white rock caponettes 33-35, hylines 39-32, corsses 30-32c, reds 30c. Caponetted cross fryers 25-26, caponetted reds 27, vantress reds 23-25c. Turkeys steady to firm on heavy type but weak on small type. Supplies of heavy type were short of the very good demand. Bronze young hens 48-50c few lots 52c, young toms 35-38c, few lots higher White Holland young toms 35c. Without clearing. Bellsville young hens 40-45c with bulk unsold. Receipts Dec. 20 included del 25,800 lbs md. 14,600 lbs va. 7,500 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality broilers or fryers heavy type 3-4 lbs 23-27. Hens heavy type 19-28 light type 16-21 old roosters 11 Ducks: Turkeys young hens 40-52, young toms 35-38.

EGGS

Philadelphia, Dec. 21—Market steady to firm. Demand good for all grades. Supplies were barely sufficient for immediate requirements

Wholesale selling prices: min. 10 pct AA quality. Large 45-50# white 28-59, brown 56-57, medium white 54-55, brown 53-54. Extras, min. 60 pct a qual. Large 45-50# white 56-57, brown none, mixed 55-56, medium white 52-53, brown none, mixed 50-51. Standard 50-51, current receipts none, checks 35-39.

Receipts Dec. 20—5,280 cases Muscovy none, Pekins 25-32 all by trucks.

Farm Equipment Dealers Hold Christmas Meet

By Staff Reporter

In a complete Christmas setting, 160 members family members and guests of the Lancaster County Farm Equipment Dealers met Thursday night last week at Hostetter's Dining Room in Mount Joy for their annual Christmas meeting and Ladies' Night.

Chairman of the program committee was Leroy Wenger of Wenger of Buck.

Willis Nolt led the group in singing familiar Christmas carols during the meeting that was marked with music. Accompanist was Mrs. Roy Brubaker, Lititz, whose husband is president or the association.

Entertainment was also provided by a brass quarted, Howard Erb, Martin Moore, Kenneth Kauffman and Roy Bomberger. Mrs. Howard Erb sang several traditional Christmas soloes.

Dr. Ernest E. Miller, supervisor of personnel of the Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, was speaker. A former missionary to India, he was in relief service many years in Turkey, served 16 years in India and for 14 years he was in college work. His topic was "The Greatest Christmas Ever Known."

At the conclusion of the dinner, a gift exchange was held.

Officers of the association are: President, Roy Brubaker, Lititz, Pa; 1st Vice-President, Leroy Wenger, Buck, Pa., Quarryville, R D.; 2nd Vice-President, Ivan Nolt, Farmersville, Pa.; Sec'y-Treasurer, Arthur S. Young, Kinzers, Pa.; and Ass't Secretary, Harold Keneagy, Paradise, Pa.

Directors are Ben Snavely, New Holland; L. B. Herr, Jr., West Willow; Rankin Wiley, Peach Bottom and Robert Brubaker, Salunga.

Mrs. Reinhold is New President for Farm Society 10

In a Christmas dinner party at the home of Mrs. Charles F. Stauffer, Lime Springs Farm, Rohrerstown, recently, Mrs. C. H. Reinhold was installed as president of Farm Women's Society No. 10.

Two delegates and two alternates to the Jan. 9 state convention in Harrisburg were named. Delegates are the new president and Mrs. Wayne Brubaker. Alternates are Mrs Harry Shuman and Mrs. Edward Bowser.

Other officers installed at the party included Mrs. Elam Buckwalter, first vice president; Mrs. Cliff C. Shoemaker, second vice president; Mrs. John Habecker, recording secretary; Mrs. Henry Hershey, corresponding secretary and Miss Eliza Esbenshade, treasurer.

Devotions were led by Mrs. C. M. Neff.

A total of $40 was contributed by the Society, ten dollars going to each of the following: United Community Campaign, Water Street Rescue Mission, Salvation Army and the Lancaster County Tuberculosis Society.

Sees Family First Time

Columbia Ohio.—As a result of an operation performed on her eyes several weeks ago, Mrs. Ludwina Runkie, blind for 23 years saw her husband and eight children for the first time. A victim of a severe attack of scarlet feer at three years of age and two subsequent automobile accidents, Mrs. Runkle lost her vision.

Tuesday Broiler Prices Near Low Point for Year

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report 109, Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1955) —Sales were slow on the Tuesday auction at the Lancaster Poultry Exchange, and prices moved lower to average near the low point for the year.

Purchases paid 17¾ to 19½ on four lots of 8050 birds. There were eight lots of 22,350 birds offered Average price was 19 cents.

Here are Tuesday sales, listed by seller and grower, amount and breed, buyer and price: Paul F. Miller, 450 White Cornish to Carl B. Risser, 18; Robert M. Mylin, 900 Indian River Cross to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 17¾; O. Kenneth McCracken (Elvin High), 5000 White Cross to Mandata Poultry at 19¾; O. Kenneth McCracken (Rudy Forry), 1700 White Cross to Mandata Poultry, 18¾; Edwin L. Funk, 3800 White Vantress, no bid, and 4000 Red Vantress, no sale. Arlene Funk, 500 Meat Packers, no sale, 16½ bid, Indian River Poultry (Harry H. Rudy), 6000 Lancaster Pullets, no sale, 18¼ bid.

Voice of Lancaster Farms

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Elizabethtown — Enclosed find $1.00 for your farm paper. I like it very much. Hope I'm not too late for the dollar offer. Please send it for one year. — Glenn B. Huntzberger.

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State Tobacco Experiment Farm

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formal committee and secured enough local acking to carry the program through.

County Role in Research

The history of Lancaster county's role in toacco field research dates back many years. Expansion to 88 acres — of which 75 are tillable — will permit for the first time specific research on the area's climatic and soil-type conditions. Findings can be pinpointed.

Pennsylvania State advised **Lancaster Farming** by phone that attorneys hope to have the title shifted theoretically to the University by Jan. 1, with possession of buildings and facilities possily by July 1. Land will be available for spring planting after April 1.

The first agricultural research in Pennsylvania was a special state appropriation in 1893 for investigation of Commonwealth tobacco growers' problems. For many years tobacco funds were the only state monies available for research in Pennsylvania.

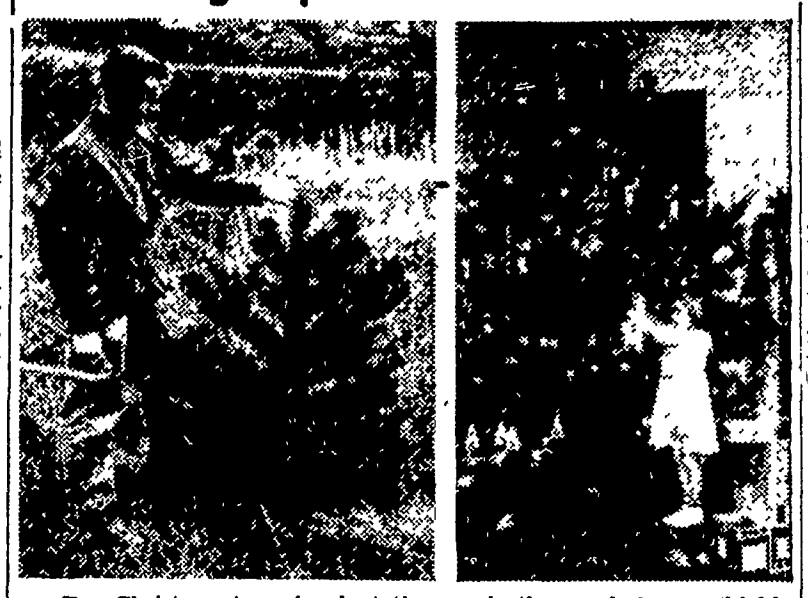
Other Farms Leased Earlier

Landisville was the first in which the State had title (1952). Prior to World War I and through 1952, twenty-two acres were leased in the Roseville area on the M. G. Esbenshade farm Ten years before that a 20-acre LeFever Farm in the same area was used, and before the LeFever Farm in the same area was used, and before the LeFever Farm, the Hibshman Farms, on which was developed the noted Swarr Hibshman strain.

For 40 years the state had to lease small acreages for tobacco research, but new problems arose. With the new 88 acres, Dr. Farrell advised, other crop reseach will be available.

T. R. Terrell, agronomist, will continue in charge of the expanded station.

Shearing Improves Christmas Tree



Few Christmas trees in plantations or in the woods become highly desirable without training and not all are high class under the best of care. Scotch pines, shown above, at the Pennsylvania State University Agricultural Experiment Station have been found to require two or three shearings (prunings of growing tips) to produce the dense foliage desired by homemakers. Scotch, along with most pines, must be sheared in summer, but spruce may be sheared at any season.

TOBACCO ESTIMATE

This year's crop of cigar leaf tobacco in Pennsylvania is estimated at 40,815,000 pounds. Production in 1954 came to 43,416,000 pounds and the 10-year average is 48,472,000 pounds

September weather was good for growth of late-planted tobacco and maturity and cutting of earlier set acreages. Late set tobacco had the best growth, the same as last year, but rust or wildfire hit some fields rather hard. Generally, the crop is reported to be curing well with only a little pole burn.

PETERBOROUGH, N. H. — The 1956 National Junior Guernsey Show will be held at Waterloo, Iowa next year on Oct. 2, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club

As usual, the show will be held in conjunction with the National Dairy Cattle Congress. The American Guernsey Cattle Club is again offering $800 in prize money, plus special ribbons and trophies.

Registered Guernsey females regularly enrolled in project work and owned by 4-H members are eligible. Each State is allowed a combined total of six entries, to be selected by the State Guernsey Breeders Associations in cooperation with 4-H and FFA authorities.

Complete Show rules are available from the American Guernsey Cattle Club, Peterborough, N. H.

New York—Dr. A. J. Pollard, Acting Market Administrator, today announced a price of $5.46 per hundredweight (46.5 quarts) for January fluid milk produced for the New York metropolitan milk marketing area. The price for December is $5.52. For Jan., 1955, the price was $5.38 per hundredweight.

Dr. Pollard pointed out that dairy farmers are never paid the Class I-A price. Handlers pay that price to the New York pool for the milk they use in that category. In turn, dairy farmers are paid a uniform price which is determined by the use made of all milk received at country plants approved for the New York marketing area.

Harold Harsh, Leacock, President of Baby Beef Club at New Holland

Harold Harsh, Leacock, has been elected president af the New Holland 4-H Baby Club. The organizational meeting was held in the New Holland Bank. Others elected were: John Groff, R1 Bareville, vice president; James Wolgemuth, R1 Bareville, secretary; Lester Groff, R1 Lancaster, treasurer.

Verna Lapp, R1 Ronks, was named song leader; Betty Good, R1 East Earl and Donald Groff, R1 Bareville, game leaders; David Lapp, R1 Bareville, news reporter.

Mr. Wolgemuth will be host at his home to the next meeting of the club. Meeting date has been set as the third Friday of each month. At the next meeting, a rope-halter making demonstration will be given.

Sadsbury Township has been authorized to conduct blood tests of cattle in line with the Pennsylvania brucellosis eradication program. This makes ten townships now authorized in the county, and three others are awaiting state approval after enrolling at least 90 per cent of herd owners for area tests.

Township committees are urged to renew efforts to enroll the remaining 28 townships in the county for Bang's disease tests

FEBRUARY DRAFT CALL

A draft call for 3,000 in February has been issued by the Army, the lowest call since Selective Service was resumed after the Korean war broke out. The January call has also been reduced to 6,000 At the end of October, Army strength was 1,105,062, and is expected to level off by June 30 to 1,027,000.

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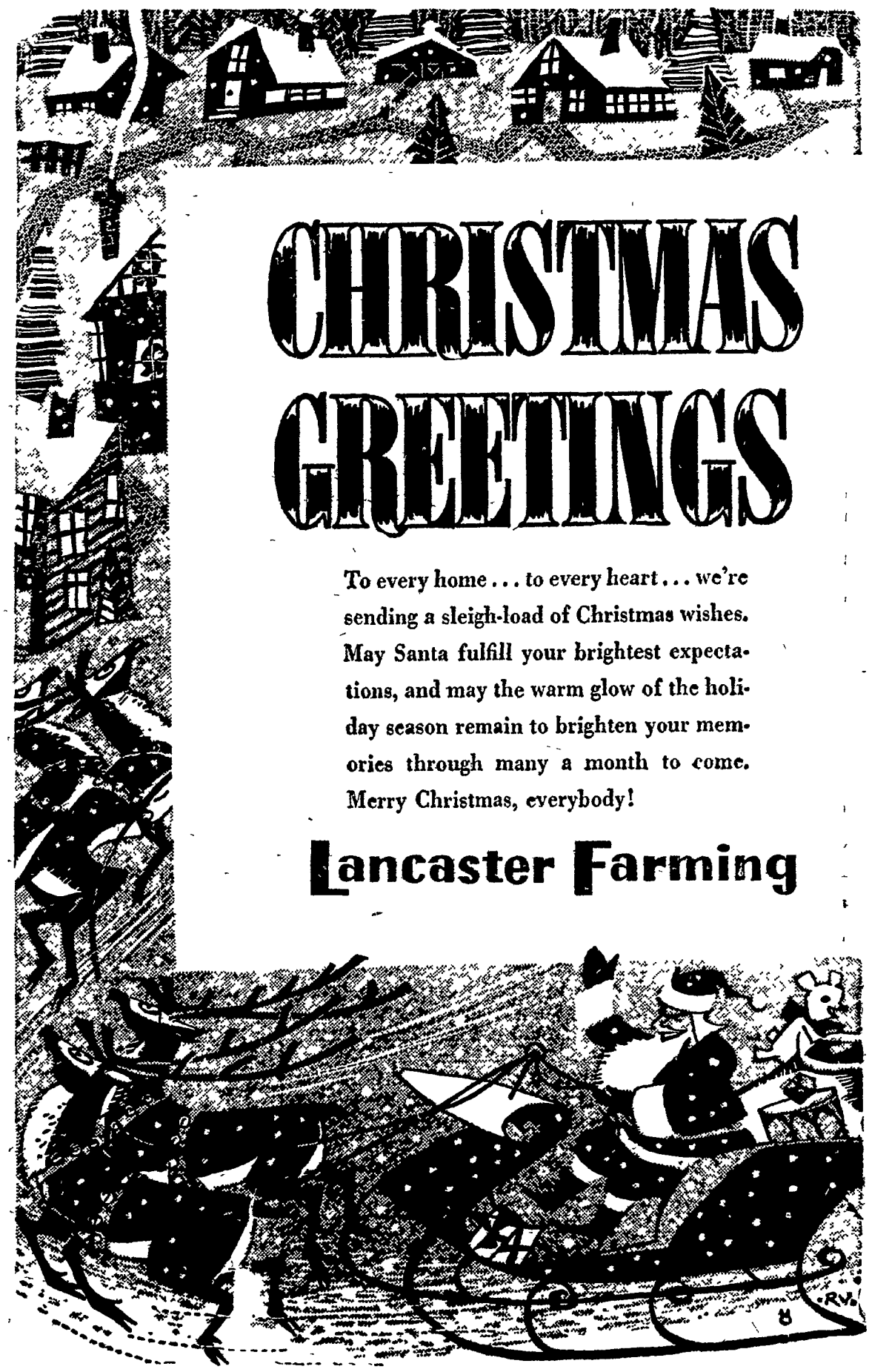

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

To every home . . . to every heart . . . we're sending a sleigh-load of Christmas wishes. May Santa fulfill your brightest expectations, and may the warm glow of the holiday season remain to brighten your memories through many a month to come. Merry Christmas, everybody!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Merry Christmas.

Lancaster Farming joins in wishing you the most merry, the most happy Yuletide.

Christmas has gone commercial to a great extent, but there is always the dominance of the birth of the Christ Child with those who carry the true Christmas spirit.

Christmas is a time of good fellowship, good food, but a time to recall most of all what His birth means to you. It's a time of merriment, often unjustly so, and sacrilege falls on the true spirit. It's a time of memory, when you recall hanging your sock by the fireplace (or the cook stove) and awakening the next morning to find it crammed from top to toe. And you laughed and laughed at the stick of wood Santa Claus snitched from the wood box nearby and stuck in pop's sock.

There were popcorn strings on the Christmas tree bright balls and colorful candles, tinsel and toys, gifts stacked beneath the tree or hung from the branches, and snow on the spruce in the yard.

No one thought during the bountiful meal, with Old Tom the turkey (the only one saved from a brood that lived a self-demanded wild existence) in the center of the table, about the stacks of food that suddenly became stacks of dirty dishes.

But it's Christmas again — and we're wishing you the most Merry one of all.

FIRE

That word strikes deep fear whenever it is heard. When it becomes a personal experience, reasons for this fear are more pronounced. Such was the editor's experience last week. First consideration was to the safety of the tenants personally, next their household belongings. Personal items lost can be of no consideration.

A lot of memories went up with the old place, good times, times of tragedy, hard times, good times. Tables were never bare, even in the midst of the depression; family life was strict but correct. Some of the family were born there, some died there.

But after the death of both parents, the farm and home were rented to a couple known for years who made it as much of a home as if it were their own. Their care and consideration for the home were equal to that of the owner.

Next consideration must be to housing these tenants, for replacing the residence as quickly as possible. So many things go through your mind when tragedy as this strikes.

At the same time, disregarding the sentimental value of the rooms, halls and the attic where you romped as a youngster, or the cool, cool basement with its rows and rows of home canned goods, fried meats packed in lard, consideration was given insurance coverage.

You wonder if that insurance revision you made a few years ago, when you tried to adjust values more nearly to present day conditions, was sufficient. You wonder if your other building coverage should not be reviewed more closely now.

Fire can be fearful, tragic. At the same time, you find the real humanity in friends who offer consolation when you need it most. You realize the worth of fire companies that serve the farm districts.

But most of all, you think of the thinking that perhaps should have been done before the event that couldn't possibly happen did happen.

PHILOSOPHY

One of the best philosophies we've encountered in many a year, one that can be applied so well, is this:

"I cried because I had no shoes, until I met a man who had no feet."

Voice Of Lancaster Farms

AND FARM FRIENDS

(Readers are invited to write comments on Lancaster Farming, about current events, or other topics. Letters should be brief, and must be signed. Names will be withheld if requested. — Editor).

83 YEARS YOUNG

Pequea — 83 years young I enjoy reading your paper — Joseph Cramer.

INTERESTING

Manheim — I like **Lancaster Farming** very much Lots of interesting news and good recipes — Mrs. Nelson K Cooper.

WONDERFUL

Honey Brook (Chester County) — Your paper is wonderful. — Charles I Wilson.

FOR PEN PAL

Elizabethtown — We have subscribed to **Lancaster Farming** and now I am sending it a pen pal of mine. Hoping she will receive her first copy soon — Mrs. J. A Stumpf.

Editor's Note: Mighty thoughtful idea some others might try. If I'm correct, the pen pal in this case is in Minnesota. For an unusual Christmas present, why not send a year's subscription to **Lancaster Farming? EJN)**

CONGRATULATIONS

Elizabethtown — Want to congratulate you on your clean farm paper, with the farm news and also enjoy the women's page so much. May you have many successful years ahead. Enclosed find my charter subscription check. — Mrs Irvin K. Snyder.

WE LIKE

Manheim — Please find $1.00 enclosed for charter subscription to **Lancaster Farming**. We like the paper very much. — Mr. and Mrs. Emmert B. Will.

Governor and Family Write Holiday Plans

HARRISBURG—Plans for observance of Christmas in the Executive Mansion by Governor George M. Leader and the Leader family were revealed today in a letter from Mrs. Leader, published in the December issue of a news bulletin issued from the Harrisburg office of the Pennsylvania State Poultry Federation of which the Governor is an honorary director. The letter follows:

"CHRISTMAS AT THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION

"This will be our first Christmas in the Governor's Mansion. It will be different. I am sure the boys will miss going out on the farm with their father, choosing a tree, cutting it, bringing it in, setting it up and decorating it.

"For our family, probably the highlight of the Christmas Season is the Leader Family traditional party when Great Grandma Leader, and Grandpa Leader, their seven children, wives and husbands, and eighteen grandchildren all get together—have a buffet supper and exchange Christmas presents.

"The group has grown so large in recent years that few of us have a house big enough to accommodate all the relatives. But here in the Executive Mansion, with its twenty-four rooms and eight baths, there will be no question about space and we are looking forward to making full use of it.

"We hope that you will have the same joyous Holiday Season with your families."

/s/ Mary Jane Leader
(Mrs. George M. Leader)

50 Years Ago

This Week on Lancaster Farms

(This Week In 1905)
By JACK REICHARD

Fifty years ago this week members of the Octoraro Farmers' Club met at the residence of Benjamin H Pownall, near Smyrna, in Sadsbury Township.

Subjects up for discussion at that meeting included: "Will Better Agriculture Education Courses lead the boy back to the Farm? Will the establishment of Parcel Post be an advantage to farmers? Is care enough exercised in the selection of pictures for our homes? Will a cow give more milk in pasture than if the grass was cut and fed to her in the stable?"

During this same week in 1905 the livery stable at the West End Hotel and an adjoining one owned by Dr. J. E. Aungstadt, Elizabethtown, were destroyed by fire reported of incendiary origin All contents including vehicles, harness, farm implements, some hay, straw and grain were consumed in the blaze. All horses kept at the stables were saved.

John C. Hoyt and Robert H Anderson, of the Hydrographic Branch of the U. S Geological Survey, reported that the Susquehanna River was most important drainage basin in the North Atlantic States. The report showed that 47 per cent of the drainage area of Pennsylvania lay in the watershed along the Susquehanna River.

Wilson, Pugh & Wilson, carriage builders, offered 56 used sleighs for sale at public auction at their factory at Oxford, Pa The sleighs, consisted of Partlands, Speeders and Half-speeders of their own design, "all selected stock without a blemish".

Bernard Shaw remarked in one of his plays that "The man with a toothache thinks everyone whose teeth are sound, and the poverty-stricken man makes the same mistake about the rich man".

In Berks County the scarcity of game was attributed to foxes. Members of organized hunting clubs pledged not to shoot the animals Farmers organized to destroy them.

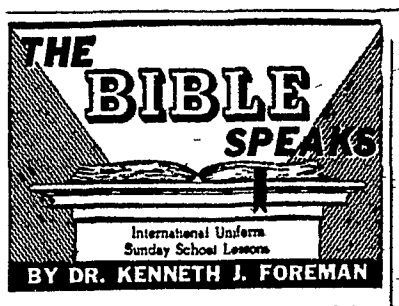
Down in Delaware a number of persons were arrested for evading the holly law passed by the 1905 legislature in that state. The new law imposed a penalty of $50 fine for every twig or branch cut on any farm or woods without the owner's consent.

Not Too Much

An old lady was celebrating her 100th birthday and as she sat rocking in her chair on the front porch, her glasses perched on her nose, a newspaper reporter said to her:

"Grandma, you must have seen a lot in the past 100 years."

"Not much," was the sad reply. "Everything was always over by the time I'd find my glasses."



Background Scripture: Luke 11:14—12:3, 54-59.
Devotional Reading: Psalm 24:1-6.

Being a Hypocrite

Lesson for January 1, 1956

NOBODY ever began his list of New Year's Resolutions with this: "I resolve this year to be a hypocrite." Nobody wants to be a hypocrite, no one loves such a person. As if they were not already detested enough, Jesus shot at them his most piercing sarcasms. The pathetic thing is that even the best people can slip into hypocrisy without knowing it. Since Jesus "told off" the hypocrites of Galilee very plainly, we can see just what it is that makes hypocrites what they are, and be warned.

Dr. Foreman

Showy Stuff

Jesus condemned the Pharisees for being concerned with the looks of things most of all. As he put it, they cleaned up the outside of the cup and the platter but the inside was left dirty. They themselves, he said, were like graves over which men walked without knowing they were there. Outside, they were a grassy park. Down under, inside, they were nothing but decay. The other day a bulldozer turned up four little coffins under what is now an airport. Nobody had guessed those bodies were under the grass The first thing any one asked, after, "Who were these?" was "Where shall we put them now?" It turned out that the four little bodies, buried a century ago, belonged to one family; and one living relative could be found—but she did not even want to look Let them be put under grass somewhere else, hide them as soon as possible. Well, there are characters like that. Cover all the dead stuff with something pretty,—whatever looks right is right . . . Keep thinking that way, live that way, and you will be a hypocrite too.

Trifling Stuff

Another count against the Pharisees was that they spent so much time and energy on little things that they missed the greater things that a truly good life will have. You could see Pharisees out in their back yards counting their mint-leaves. Every tenth leaf belonged to the Lord, they said; every tenth bean, every tenth lettuce-leaf, and so on. But leaf-counting took up too much of their time. Justice? The love of God? They had no time for it. They were too busy with mint-leaves. Now it is good to be conscientious about tithes; Jesus had nothing to say against that in itself. But it is rather interesting that the only times when Jesus mentioned tithing, he condemned the people who did it.—Not for doing it, but for supposing that that was the main thing in religion. When Jesus picked out something on which all the "law and the prophets" hang, a kind of nail holding up the rest of the Bible, he picked something big: Love to God and love to one's neighbor.

Old Stuff

Another way to be a hypocrite is to be so much interested in the past that you do not apply religion to the present. In Jesus' vivid language, the hypocrites built the prophets' tombs, but they were children of those who had murdered the prophets, and they were the people who would murder Jesus himself. They honored the prophets of the past; but prophets of the living present they could not see and did not honor. It is an ancient and still strong temptation. There are persons in America who are very proud of ancestors who crossed the ocean to worship God freely; but who themselves will not cross a wet street to go to church. There are persons proud of their revolutionary ancestors, who attack with every weapon of slander any one who has any proposals for change today. Revolution in the 18th century—fine!

Revolution in the twentieth century—horrible! There are people who wish to preserve every line of some historic creed and shout down every one who has the least suggestion of change; they forget that the creed-makers they honor were themselves radicals, innovators, dangerous men in the eyes of their time. A church that becomes a preserver of antiquities, a historical society, and nothing more, with nothing to say to now, is a church the Pharisees would have loved . but not Jesus

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PCA-NFLA Stage Annual Meeting; Reports Given

By LF Staff Reporter

Between 400 and 500 members and guests attended the annual farm credit stockholders' meeting at the old Mount Joy High school Thursday night of last week.

This was a combination meeting of the Lancaster Production Credit Association and the National Farm Loan Association of Lancaster. Events moved underway with a cafeteria lunch served by Eli Hostetter.

Kahler Reelected

John H. Gibble, Maytown, was general chairman of the meeting. G. G. Minnich, Lititz, president of the association, presided. In the election of officers, John J. Kahler, Millersurg, was reelected to the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Ira Krall, Myerstown, presided during the business session of the NFLA where members reelected B. G. Buhong, Columbia, to another three-year term on the Board of Directors.

Jacob N. Smith, Annville, was elected to replace Nathan J. Bashore, who declined to run for reelection.

"This Dutch is no language. It has no grammar," Prof J. William Frey of Franklin & Marshall College, told the group in his entertaining talk on Pennsylvania Dutch. Most amusing of the appearance, which held the audience intrigued, was his recitation — in Pennsylvania Dutch — of "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," and as an encore — "Woman's Place Is in the Home" Musical selections, where he accompanied himself on the guitar, helped broaden his entertaining appearance, and audience reaction was excellent.

Holstein Quartet Sings

The Four-H Holstein Quartet of the Lampeter-Strasburg High School, recently named one of the top five in the nation at the International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago, entertained with several selections Wayne B. Rentschler of the Farm Bureau, who accompanied a group of six boys to the meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., last summer, spoke on the meeting. Expenses of the trip were met by 12 cooperative associations in Lancaster County.

Wilmer Esbenshade of Elizabethtown gave a description of the trip, and Donald Hastings of Kirkwood, showed colored movies he made on the campus and midwestern farm scenes taken enroute to and from the meeting. Appearing with these two were Robert Book and Harold Bollinger.

J. Thomas Vandenburg, president of the Federal Land Bank and the Production Credit Corporation of Baltimore, gave a short talk.

14 From One Class There

Roger Strait, vo-ag teacher at Halifax High School, brought 14 from his classes to the meeting.

Others present included Mr and Mrs. C. E. Cassel, Hummelstown; Mark Shuman of the ASC office at Harrisburg; Charles Burkins, manager of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau; Paul Leaman, farm representative of the Conestoga National Bank; Naaman G. Hershey, implement dealer and charter member of the PCA; Carson Mertz, head of the State Safety Division at Harrisburg; T. M. Malin, vocational spervisor of Lancaster County; W. Clayton Jester, director of the Farm Credit Board at Baltimore, A. G. Bucher, farm representative of the Lancaster County National Bank, and others.

Mr. Kahler reported that during the past year the executive committee met 57 times, the directors held six meetings, in addition to meetings in Baltimore and Reading.

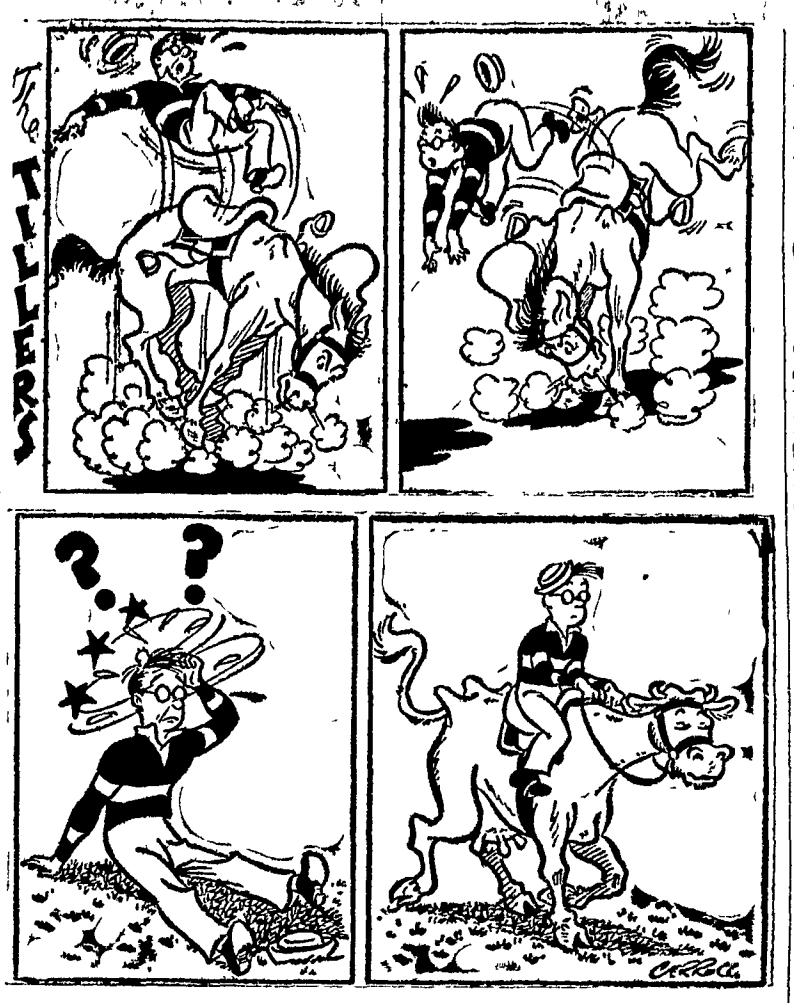
Emphasis On Youth Work

Emphasis has been placed on youth work, and members of the Lancaster County Cooperative Youth Activity Committee gave reports. Members are Lee Brobst, assistant secretray; Charles Cowan of Interstate, and Mr. Rentschler of the Farm Bureau.

There are four types of cooperatives, it was pointed out during the meeting: purchasing, marketing, servicing and processing.

In closing the meeting, Mr. Brobst emphasized the necessity of adequate insurance coverage, the importance of youth programs and the necessity that real estate taxes be paid yearly to avoid possible defaulting.

A total of 863 civilian employes of Government agencies lost their jobs during October, the second net monthly decrease since January, 1955. The other was 18,974 in September. Total civilian employment as of November 1st, was 2,365,206.



Derangement By The Dozen

Judge—What possible excuse did you have for acquitting that murderer?

Foreman of the Jury—Insanity

Judge—What, all 12 of you?

Tufts will succeed Grainger as U. S. G. A. president.

Right There

Husband (calling to wife in bed)—I can't find the tea, dear

Wife—I don't know why not. It's right in front, on the cupboard, shelf, in a cocoa tin marked "matches."

Can't Be!

Teacher: "Tommy, what is one-half of eight?"

Small Boy. "I don'ta know exactly, teacher, but it can't be very much"

Ford Liquidates Wood Bros' Inc. Once Subsidiary

Ford Motor Company announced the liquidation of its wholly-owned manufacturing subsidiary, Wood Bros, Inc, Des Moines, Iowa and the establishment of the Des Moines Implement Plant, Ford Motor Company, to continue the Des Moines farm machinery operations formerly carried on by Wood Bros

The plant, occupying the former Wood Bros. facilities, will be operated by Ford's Tractor and Implement Division with headquarters in Birmingham, Mich Irving A Duffy, Ford vice president, is divisional general manager.

In making the announcement, Mr Duffy said the plant will continue to produce major types of harvesting equipment It is planned that Wood Bros. employees will be transferred to Ford Motor Company, and will receive full credit for length of service as recognized by Wood Bros.

Activities Integrated

Change of the Des Moines operations from a Ford subsidiary to a division-operated plant is a further step in the complete integration of farm machinery activities into the Tractor and Implement Division structure, Mr Duffey said.

After being a tractor manufacturer since 1917, Ford entered the "full line" farm machinery business in August, 1953, when a separate division was established to handle the company's farm machinery activities.

Tractor and Implement Division's expansion program is part of a company-wide long-range facilities modernization and expansion plan which since 1946 has cost more than $1,500,000,000 More than 71,000,000,000 is expected to be spent over the next three years on plants and equipment by Ford Motor Company

The Des Moines plant was built in 1926 after the original Wood Bros. facilities in that city were outgrown Its production now includes corn pickers, hay balers, combines, side delivery rakes, forage harvesters, corn planters and corn harvesters, grain drils, cotton harvesters and othre major harvesting tools

Purchased by Dearborn, 1947

The original Wood Bros was founded in 1886 by F J and R. L Wood, custom threshers

In 1947, the original Wood Bros was purchased by Dearborn Motors Corporation, which had been organized a year earlier to market Ford tractors and implements. On Aug. 1, 1953, Ford Motor Company established a Tractor Division and, through a subsidiary, acquired the assets of Wood Bros

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Season's Greetings

Let us harken in our hearts to the voices of the carollers as they sing out their message of peace and good will. May your Yuletide season be a joyous one, bright with the smiles of your loved ones, warm with friendship and rich in happiness, deeply felt and widely shared.

Lancaster Farming

For the Farm Wife and Family

Things are humming in the kitchen this weekend, the cookie jars are being filled and the house redded up for the big event, Christmas dinner. The British have their roast of rib and Yorkshire pudding, but here it's turkey and the trimmings or roast chicken

Just recalled a tip you might use to perk up the holiday serving. If you want to serve a Flaming pudding, dip a cube of sugar in a small dish containing lemon extract. Just before taking the dessert to the table, light the cube with a match. You'll have a beautiful blue flame that soon dies out when the sugar carmelizes.

Just the thing to serve when lights are low and holiday festivities are at their peak.

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Let's take a look at the mail. Puddings, cakes and cookies. Must return a card from Mrs. Dulan D. Newton over at Blue Ball. Looks like it came out of her recipe card file, and some of these days she may be looking for it.

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Mrs. Emily Keene, R3 Lititz is this week's winner of a free subscription to **Lancaster Farming** for one year, with a series of recipes that look tasty as can be. Try them and let us know:

KING'S SUGAR CAKE

Two cups brown sugar
One half cup lard
One teaspoon salt
One egg
One teaspoon soda
One teaspoon cinnamon
Two and one-half cups of flour
One and one-half cups sour milk

CRUMBS FOR TOP

One tablespoon butter
One cups brown sugar
Three-fourths cups of flour
One teaspoon of cinnamon

Cream sugar, lard, add egg and salt. Sift soda, cinnamon and flour, add alternately with milk.

For topping, mix sugar, flour, cinnamon; add butter and mix until fine.

"A delicious coffee cake," Mrs. Keene adds

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We have a couple more from this Lititz reader, one for

APPLE SALAD

Six apples
Three-fourths cups chopped celery
One half cup crushed peanuts
Two hard boiled eggs

Salad Dressing

One cup granulated sugar
One half cup vinegar (scant)
Let come to a boil

Add:

One egg, beaten
One tablespoon corn starch
Boil well then mix with
One-half cup sweet cream
Boil again and let cool

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Mrs. Newton, we're returning your recipe card, and quoting your letter:

"First, I want to say thank you for the free copies of **Lancaster Farming**. It is a very well written paper and it can be said again and again . . . we're all for that.

"I have enclosed a recipe for Uncooked Pineapple Cake. It doesn't matter where I go and take a dish of it, it's always welcome. I'm Pennsylvania Dutch, but my husband is a Texan, and that's where the recipe comes from. Hope you like it."

UNCOOKED PINEAPPLE CAKE

Vanilla wafers
One cup crushed pineapple drained
One package Cherry (or any flavor) Jello
One-half cup butter at room temperature
Three-fourths cups hot water
Three-fourths cups sugar
Two eggs, separated

Dissolve Jello in water, cool. Cream sugar, butter and egg yolks. Then add cooled Jello and crushed pineapple. Lastly, fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Sprinkle bottom of loaf pan, which has been greased with butter, with Vanilla Wafer crumbs. Pour mixture in dish and top with more crumbs. Place in refrigerator and let stand for several hours.

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Here's an idea — maybe it's already in use — why not make a scrap book of clippings from this column? There have been recipes of all kinds here, and some you may want to refer to again some of these days.

Mrs —Charles Shreiner up at R2 Lititz has given me a boost this week with a recipe for one of my favorite foods, Tollhouse Cookies. Until I came to Pennsylvania, I didn't realize the part the Tollhouse played in the country's early development, but I imagine there has been considerable variation since that time in the recipe.

Mrs. Shreiner adds: "We like Lancaster Farming very much. It's interesting and has lots of good news in it. We enjoy reading it."

But here is her

CHOCOLATE CHIP or TOLL HOUSE COOKIES

One-half cup butter
One-half cup brown sugar
One-half cup granulated sugar
One egg
One and one-half cup flour
One-half teaspoon salt
One-half teaspoon soda
One package of chocolate bits (7 oz.)
One tablespoon hot water
One teaspoon vanilla
One-half cup chopped nuts (optional)

Cream shortening and sugar together, add egg, water and vanilla and beat until fluffy. Sift flour. Measure and add salt and soda. Sift again, add sifted dry ingredients and beat until smooth. Add chocolate bits and nuts and blend into mixture. Drop by teaspoonsful onto greased baking sheet spaced about two to three inches apart. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes, or until light brown.

Makes about four and one-half dozen cookies.

"They are easy to make, and also are very good," Mrs. Shreiner adds.

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Since Christmas is so near and it's time soon to stuff the turkey, we'd better add another recipe for Chestnut Filling just to bring it back to mind Here's one mailed by Mrs Cleta H Hahn of Terre Hill:

CHESTNUT FILLING

Two cups toasted bread crumbs
Four white onions, chopped
Three tablespoons diced celery
One cup ground fresh pork
One-half cup medium mushrooms
One cup blanched chestnuts
Thyme, just a pinch
Butter
One half cup Port wine
Salt and pepper to taste

Mix the ground pork (no fat) with the bread crumbs. Saute the onions in butter and add. Then add pinch of thyme, celery, raw mushrooms, salt, pepper and blanched chestnuts. Pour half cup of wine or more and mix all ingredients thoroughly Don't pack too tightly.

There are some variations here, the mushrooms, the pinch of thyme, that might make this excellent. Thank you, Mrs. Hahn.

American Airlines placed a $135 million order with the Boeing Ainplane Company for 30 turbo-jet airliners in a bid to provide the first regular domestic service

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Pennsylvania Home Economist Officers

Pennsylvania Association of Extension Home Economists officers for 1956. Seated from left, treasurer, Ruth Kredell, York county; president, Mrs. Mayme L. Mitchell, Chester county; president-elect, Mrs. Grace L. Voord, Greene county; standing from left, secretary, Ruth Kimble, Lancaster county; first vice president, Frances Vannoy, Bucks county; second vice president, Joanne Wagner, Clarion county.

Catsup — or ketchup — has been badly struck by many, but it's wonderful stuff. Now that it comes in plastic containers for serving, a new day has been opened. Read a story the other day of a truck driver who poured catsup over every item on his plate. His reason, he said, was that in his travels he hit so many places where the food was lousy that he just poured ketchup on everything to make it all taste the same, good or bad. Here's a poem we found that follows the same line:

COOK'S CRY

(Edna Thomas)

A pinch of this — a dash of that —
To get that just right seasoning —
I bake and baste and salt and taste
And then against all reasoning —
Friend hubby smothers luscious steak
'Neath ketchup red and mustard.
I'd like to dash right in his face
My beautiful yellow custard!

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We like ketchup — nothing better on scrambled eggs in the morning, but when it comes to steak, a steak properly cooked should stand on its own without a dash of this or that. Frankly I like mine rare, and

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Miss Ruth Kimble, Lancaster, was elected secretary of the Pennsylvania Association of Extension Home Economists at its annual meeting Dec. 13 in State College. Miss Kimble, extension home economist in Lancaster county since May of this year, attended the meeting held during the annual extension staff conference.

Other officers of the Association are president, Mrs. Mayme L. Mitchell, Chester county; first vice president, Frances Vannoy, Bucks county; second vice president , Joanne Wagner, Clarion county; treasurer, Ruth Kredell, York county.

Mrs. Grace L. Boord, Greene county was named president-elect and will become president of the Association in Dec. 1956.

Twenty-one home economists who joined the Extension staff during the past year became members of the Association.

The Association gave formal recognition to two of its members who received awards for outstanding service to rural people from the National Home Demonstration Agents' Association. These home economists are Mary E. Anderson, Fayette county, and Mrs. Irma S. Klein, Elk county.

Governor Williams of Michigan, has proposed a $16,640,000-000 Federal aid to education program over the next five years.

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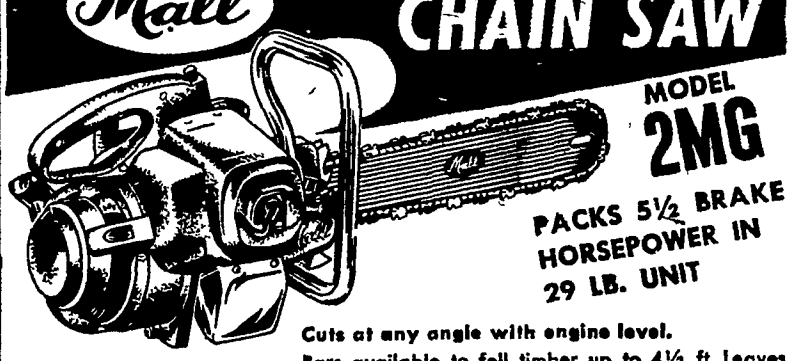

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For Farm Women . . .

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found one restaurateur who refused to serve any steak well done. Loses its character, he swears.

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While we're on the subject of steaks, here's an idea that may be considered likely by some. Others may turn up their noses. But I've tried it, and love it. You'll find the taste of olive oil missing, despite your earlier fears

Place olive oil and bits of garlic in porcelain or glass tray. Lay steaks in tray and let marinate several hours. Then turn for an equal number of hours. Mighty good — if you like garlic. Some marinate their steaks two or three hours to the side, some a day. Excellent when broiled.

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Mrs. Paul Rudy, up at 311 Valley Road, R5 Lancaster, last week sent in an item about triplet lambs being born on their farm. Many thanks for the news item, which we used, and here are some recipes from Mrs. Rudy:

CINNAMON STICKS

Take a loaf of unsliced bread and remove the crust, cut into pieces or sticks 3½ by 1 by ¾ inches. Brush sticks with butter and roll in a mixture of cinnamon and granulated sugar. Put into oven for a few minutes or until lightly browned. Eat while warm. "My guests say they are delicious, and they are also easy to make," Mrs Rudy adds.

Another recipe from Mrs. Rudy is for

CHEESE CARROTS

Roll Velveta cheese between the palms of your hands and form into tiny carrots; put a small piece of parsley in the wider end, sprinkle with paprika, fasten to a saltine with a bit of butter.

"Nice for a party snack"

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When a man takes his hand to cooking, there's apt to be confusion in the kitchen. But some men can cook. Give them credit. Here's an idea one used for a New Year's afternoon open house:

Prime rib of beef, well done on the ends, center red rare
Tossed salad or talian salad
Garlic bread, served hot
Trays of celery, pickles, olives, pickled onions, etc

To make garlic bread, put several cloves of garlic in a half cup of warm butter. Let stand

several hours Take a loaf of hard crust bread (Italian is the best choice for this), slice within a half inch of the bottom crust to leave the loaf intact, make slices half to three-quarters inch thick. Brush bewteen slices with garlic butter, being careful not to break loaf apart Brush top with garlic butter, sprinkle lightly with coarse salt Heat completely through in a 400 degree oven and serve hot, letting each guest break off his own slice.

"My favorite recipe is quick and easy," Mrs. Nathan Martin on Vine Street at Terre Hill writes

ONE EGG CAKE

Sift into bowl:
Two cups cake flour
Two and one-half teaspoons baking powder
One and one-quarter cups granulated sugar
One-fourth teaspoon salt
Add:
One-third cup shortening
Three-quarters cup milk
One teaspoon vanilla
Mix thoroughly. Add and mix one egg, unbeaten.

Pour into well greased 8x8x2 pan. Bake at 350 degrees for about 50 minutes. Cool and frost with favorite frosting.

"My husband and I enjoy Lancaster Farming very much," Mrs. Martin adds.

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We've had Garlic bread, and we've had Pontettone Bread, but not until we received a letter from Narvon did we have a recipe for

HOME MADE BREAD

Mix together
One cup mashed potatoes, take the liquid from boiling potatoes and mix in again after mashing
Add one cup granulated sugar
One half cup flour
Mix into a paste
Add lukewarm water to make 1½ quarts
Add two packages Fleischmann's Yeast
Set in a warm place to rise about one-half hour

Now put this yeast mixture with 5 lbs warm flour, one-half cup lard, scant quarter cup salt in a 15-quart container and knead until smooth Cover and let rise half full. Knead down again.

You can do this several times

Then let the container get half full. Shape into four loaves; put in greased pans. Bake at 415 degrees 15 minutes, then turn to 400 degrees. Bake 35 minutes longer.

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The Home Made Bread maker asked that her name be withheld, which we are happy to do — providing the original request carries the name of the sender.

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Cookies — no other name, but from the looks of the recipe these have character "Here is a favorite recipe of ours," writes Mrs. Roy Keener of R2 Manheim:

COOKIES

One cup flour
One fourth teaspoon baking powder
One half teaspoon baking soda
One half teaspoon salt
Two-thirds cup shortening (spry or butter and lard)
One cup brown sugar
One egg beaten
One teaspoon vanilla
Three-fourths cup quick oats
One-half cup chopped nuts
One-half cup dates
One cup cornflakes

Sift flour, measure, add dry ingredients and sift again. Cream shortening, add sugar, cream, add egg and vanilla. Mix, add flour mixture, stir in oats, nuts and dates; mix well Stir lightly when adding cornflakes so as to not pulverize them.

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Her reference to walnuts stir memories of school days, for when the walnut season was on, any number of us appeared for weeks with hands and fingers stained deep brown. And nothing but work, pop said, would take off the stain.

That's it, mighty good hearing from you, and may you have the most Merry Christmas.

See you next week

Like a bit of poetry? Here's one from out west that tells of the

FARM WIFE

She shields her eyes with unflung, work-worn hand,
To scan the intervale beneath the sun
Of noon; it's time her man was coming in —
Shadows are short beoynd the cattle run.

The corn is ripe; the garden is still green —
This year it brought a more'n common yield;
The hens scratch busily beyond the fence;
The breeze makes waves of grass across the field

Content she gazes, waiting for her man
To come to dinner, wafting wholesome smell
Behind her, from the kitchen's open door.
She knows her part, and does it, deft and well

No longer lithe and straight as when a bride
Of seventeen she came to make this place
A home, but still the sixty years were kind —
and all the season's light is in her face.

A Christmas Pie

Every hostess strives to surprise and please her guests with food that is unusual—the special dish that is "different" From the Pyrofax Gas test kitchen comes the recipe for this pie, perfect for Yuletide entertaining. The subtle blending of pineapple and cranberries results in a delicious filling and the pie crust tree cut-outs add an attractive touch. You'll surely want to try it.

Cranberry-Pineapple Pie

3½ tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca	3 cups fresh cranberries
1⅓ cups sugar	1 can (16 oz) pineapple tidbits
½ teaspoon salt	Water
	1 pkg. pie crust mix

Combine tapioca, sugar, salt and cranberries in saucepan. Drain pineapple; measure juice; add water to make 1¼ cups; pour into saucepan. Cover; bring to boil. Cool, stirring occasionally; add drained pineapple. Prepare pie crust as directed on package; roll out enough pastry for lower crust ⅛-inch thick; line 9-inch pie pan; flute edge. Roll out remaining pastry; cut with Christmas tree cookie cutter. Arrange cut-outs on cookie sheet. Bake pie in hot oven, 425°F., 45 minutes. During last 10 to 12 minutes, bake cut-outs. Arrange on pie after it cools.

The average value of listed stocks was down 2.6 per cent in October.

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Q. Is it possible to collect $300 lent to a friend? I was present when my husband gave it to him but he did not ask for a receipt. Since then we are not friends We asked for the money but he said try to get it. J. F

A. A loan is not uncollectible merely because there was nothing in writing. If the loan was made more than six years ago, a suit to recover it would be barred by the Statute of Limitations. Since your former friend refuses to repay the loan, the only thing you can do to collect is to bring suit, assuming the loan was made less than six years ago.

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Q I bought, for cash, an oil burner a few months ago. They installed it in a pipeless steel heater. The salesman who sold it to us left the concern he worked for right after he received the commission from our sale. Now it makes an awful noise and does not heat our home as promised. We put up a new chimney for them because they said it would overcome the noise but it didn't. We have almost $600 in this heater We asked them to take it out and refund our money and they offered us $75 for it We understand now that it should never have been put in our heater to begin with. Is there anything we could do about it, or do we have to pay for the mistake of the salesman? E. S.

A. You should not have to pay for this salesman's mistake. When you purchased the oil burner relying upon the salesman's skill and judgment to provide one which would operate properly in your existing system, there was a warranty to you that the burner would do just that. It doesn't matter that the salesman no longer works for the company from whom you bought the burner, the company remains responsible and should reimburse you for all of your expense including the installation of another burner that will do a proper job—or you can remove the burner, get a proper one, and collect the expense from the company. A lawyer will be helpful in appraising your remedies and in dealing with the company.

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Q. If a husband leaves his wife of his free will, can she sue him for support for herself as well as the child? The wife is working and making a decent wage C. B.

A The law of Pennsylvania imposes a duty on a husband and father to support his wife and child The obligation of a husband to support his wife is not dependent upon her indigency, but is founded on a marital relationship, so that the fact that the wife is gainfully employed does not deprive her of the right to support by her husband, although her income is a factor that may be considered by the Court in fixing the amount of support due by the husband for his wife's and child's support.

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Q What can be done with a man who is working and refuses to support his wife and two small children? He always has plenty of money to run around but none for his family He claims if she does anything to him he will quit his job and she won't find him. M B

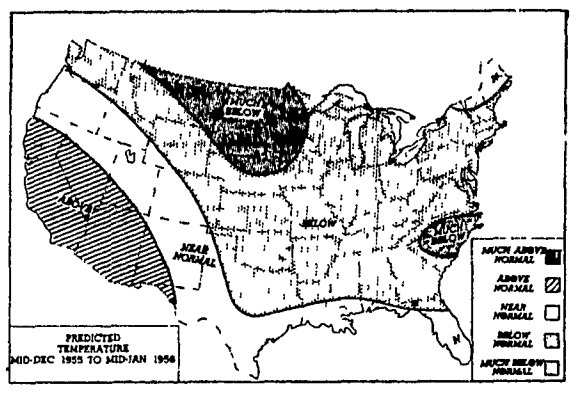
A. If a man is within the limits of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and separates himself from his wife and children without reasonable cause, or neglects to maintain his wife and children, any magistrate, upon information made before him under oath or affirmation by his wife or children or by any person, may issue a warrant for the arrest of the man and bind him over with one sufficient surety to appear at the Court of Quarter Sessions or other court having jurisdiction to answer the charge of desertion.

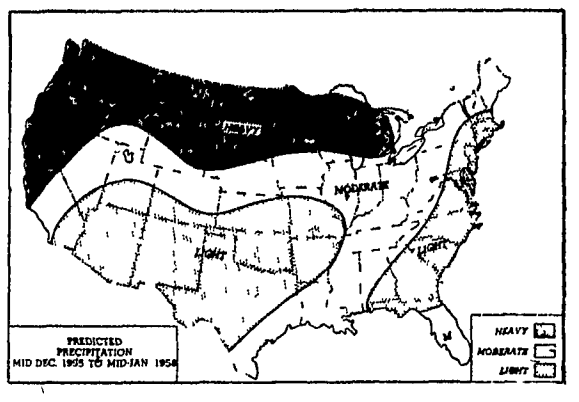
The said Court, after a hearing, may order the man (if the man is of sufficient ability) to pay such sum as the Court deems reasonable and proper for the comfortable support and maintenance of the wife and children. The Court may commit the man to prison to remain there until he shall comply with the order or give security in such form as the Court shall direct for compliance with the order. The Court may also issue the appropriate writ of execution against any property belonging to the man.

If the Court commits the man to prison until he complies with the order of the Court or gives the necessary security, the Court may at any time after three months, if it is satisfied of the inability of the man to comply with the order or give such security, discharge him from imprisonment.

The duty of the man to support and maintain his wife and children, if he is able to do so, is conditioned on his wife's willingness to perform the duties she owes to him to live with and make a home for him.

Outlook





The above charts for the United States show, for the next 30 days, the expected departures from normal temperatures and the expected total precipitation by means of classes.

The Weather Bureau's 30-day outlook for mid-December 1955 to mid-January 1956 calls for temperatures to average above normal in the Southwest and near normal along the Gulf Coast and in northern New England. In the remainder of the country below normal temperatures are expected, with the coldest weather in the Northern Plains.

Greater than normal amounts of snow are indicated in the northern third of the nation from the Great Lakes westward to the Pacific Coast. Rainfall is expected to be above normal along the West Coast and below normal in the East. Subnormal precipitation is indicated in the southern half of the country, except near normal in the Tennessee Valley and along the Gulf Coast.

$25 Millions in Milk Checks Due Before Christmas

New York, — Cooperation of the federal-state milk market administrator's office in making the payment of $25,000,000 in milk checks possible to 49,100 dairy farmers before Christmas was annouced today by Dr. A. J. Pollard, the Acting Administrator.

Handlers are requested to submit their reports not latter than the tenth of each month and then must make payments to dairy farmers not later than the 25th of the month. By submitting their December reports two days early, the price can be determined earlier and handlers can pay dairy farmers before Dec. 25. Dr. Pollard noted that handlers have cooperated with the administrator's office for several years in making payments before Christmas.

The Acting Administrator has estimated the November uniform milk price at $4 31 cwt. The actual price last November was $4 63 cwt, (46.5 quarts). His forecast of the producer butterfat differential for this month is 5 4 cents for each tenth of a pound of fat above or below the standard 3 5 per cent test.

So that the actual November price can be announced early, Dr. Pollard had requested handlers within New York City to send their reports to the Administrator's office by messenger, and those outside the city were asked to use special delivery mail

Whose Mistake?

Customer: "Say, you made a mistake in that prescription you filled for my wife. Instead of quinine you used strychnine"

Clerk: "You don't say! Then you owe me 40 cents more."

Barn Raised in Day on J. Ranck Farm, Hahnstown

Neighbors, friends and Mennonite Church members nearly 200 strong in one day erected a new barn to replace one destroyed by fire Sept. 26 on the John Ranck farm near Hahnstown.

The first siding was placed about 10 a.m., and the first rafters were raised at 11. Twelve women prepared dinners in a nearby tobacco shed.

Daniel Zimmerman, R2 Ephrata, supervised erection of the 56x90-foot structure. Lumber was pre-cut in Snyder county, and sorted in order for use. When the workers arrived, the concrete block foundation and flooring was in place.

Mortised and pegged beams and joists were readied earlier, then hoisted in place by the barn-raisers.

Advice!

If she looks young, she's camouflaged.
If she looks old, she's young but dissipated.
If she looks innocent, she's deceiving you.
If she looks shocked, she's acting.
If she looks languishing, she's hungry.
If she looks sad, she's angling.
If she looks back, follow her.

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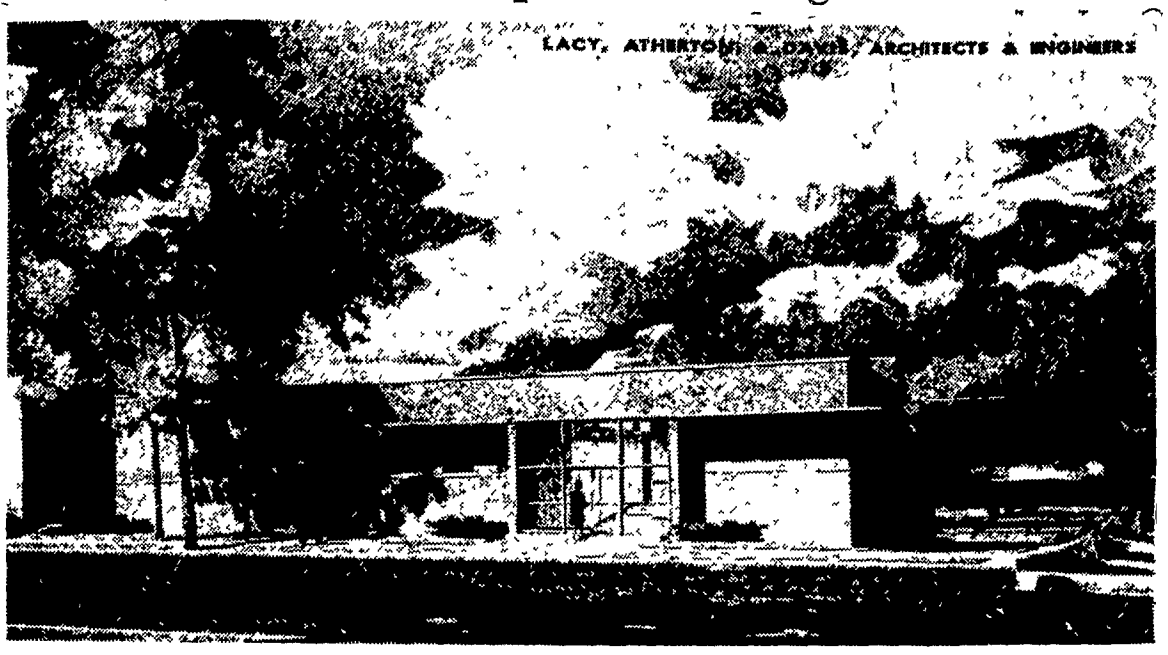

Earth was turned in Quarryville Wednesday for construction of a new Commonwealth Telephone Co. Building on E. State St. Modern in all respects, the plant, when completed next year, will serve as a central office for many sections of Southern Lancaster County. Shown above is the artist's conception of the new building.

Commonwealth Breaks Ground; New Phone Facilities Serve Solanco

Construction will begin shortly for a district office of Pennsylvania Community Telephone Co. at Quarryville. Ground was broken Wednesday morning with officials of Pennsylvania Community on hand for the ceremony.

Carl Reynolds, Jr., Quarryville Burgess, and Jack Sordoni, president of Commonwealth Telephone Co. turned the first shovelful of earth in the presence of other company officials and guests.

The new district office, designed by Lacy, Atherton & Davis of Harrisburg, Wilkes Barre and New York City, will be built by the Sordoni Construction Co

Hence another new addition joins the expanding facilities of the company in Lancaster County The Quarryville office, located on East State Street across the street from Rhoads Spanish Tavern will be quite similar to the Elizabethville District Office which is now under construction.

Central Office and Garage

William A. Frutchey, local manager at the Quarryville office, reports the building will include a central office and garage. Dimensions are 85 feet 8 inches by 91 feet 4 inches.

Throughout the building will be modern design Brick and glass will predominate in the one-story building. Double glass doors set in a windowed entrance will face State Street, with brick and tile forming an attractive entrance on the south.

At the back (north end) of the building, a garage to house eight vehicles will be part of the central building

Offices Located in Front

The lot, purchased from Jerome Rhoads, is the second lot east of Lime Street, and its dimensions are about 150 by 210 feet

In front of the building will be the equipment rooms and offices, an equipment room 29 by 35 feet on the Southeast corner, a general office 27 feet 10 inches by 19 feet, and the manager's office, 9 feet 10 inches by 9 feet 6 inches.

Also included in the plans are a stock room, truck room, repair shop and locker rooms A small basement will be built to house the cable vault, and all construction will provide for future expansion. Provisions are in the plans for a night depository to permit patrons to pay bills after office hours.

Efficiency Keynotes

Efficiency has been the keynote throughout in the design, with an entrance to the equipment room on the west side, halls linking all offices and utility rooms. The building will be air-conditioned with extensive use of asphalt tile and plastic tile

Heating will be by fuel-oil boilers

When completed, the new office will serve a large area of Lancaster County, south from a theoretical line east and west through Colemanville. The service area includes areas from the Maryland line into Chester Co.

Already other exchanges have been built or are in the planning stage to provide better service to that section of Lancaster County The new building at Rawlinsville was opened recently and dial operation is now in use there Atglen and Gap will go on dial Jan. 23, eliminating the Christiana exchange.

By Nov. 19, 1956, it is expected Quarryville and Penn Hill will be on dial, and plans are on the boards to convert Kirkwood service to dial in 1957.

In its annual 1954 report, Pennsylvania Community refererd to the area to be served thusly: "Located for the most part in Lancaster County, the Quarryville District encompasses a rich agriculture area. Interestingly, tobacco is a most important part of their yearly produce. The district embraces much of this splendid rural territory with the towns serving as trading centers for the surrounding frams."

Among the officials of Pennsylvania Community Telephone Co. on hand for the dedication were Andrew J. Sordoni, Jr., Dallas, president; Herbert H. Butler, Dallas, vice-president and general manager; Albert F. Pearson, plant, engineer, and Daniel G Chapman, commercial manager.

Israel Authorized To Buy Dry Milk Up to $286,000

WASHINGTON — (USDA) — The U. S. Department of Agriculture Tuesday announced issuance to the Government of Israel of authorization to finance the purchase of up to $286,000 worth (including certain ocean transportation costs) of nonfat dry milk solids from U. S. suppliers. The commodity details of the agreement call for total sales of $17 04 million worth of U. S. surplus agricultural commodities.

The authorization provides for purchase of approximately 1,190 metric tons (in wooden barrels or fiber drums) of nonfat dry milk solids, roller or spray process, U. S. Extra Grade. The solids and the whole fluid milk from which it was derived must have been purchased in the continental United States.

Sales contracts between suppliers and importers made beginning December 22, 1955, and ending March 31, 1956 will be eligible for financing Delivery will be to importers, c & f. Israel ports, with shipment from U. S. ports on or after Dec. 22, 1955, but not later than April 30, 1956.

The authorization was issued under Title I of the Agricultural Trade and Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Public Law 480, 83rd Congress, as amended).

The U S Supreme Court has ruled that the armed services could not court-martial honorably discharged soldiers after their return to civilian life for crimes committed while in service.

Antlered Buck Deer Kill Said Around 38,000

Preliminary estimates received from Game Protectors and other field representatives immediately following the close of Pennsylvania's 1955 buck deer season indicated approximately 38,000 antlered deer were taken by sportsman during the twelve days of legal hunting.

The wildlife authorities stress: this total for the state is the **preliminary estimate;** it may be revised later as more complete returns are received. The **official buck kill figures** will not be available until all big game kill tags are received and tabulated.

Following the recent two-day anterless deer season a quick tumate by Commission field officers placed the statewide kill figure at approxumately 37,000 animals. This estimate, also, may be revised in the light of a more complete survey of the 1955 harvest

As with Pennsylvania's buck deer and bear kills in the seasons this year, the official figure on the antlerless deer will not be forthcoming until all big game tags, returned to Harrisburg, are checked and counted.

Successful deer hunters are reminded to send their kill tags to Harrisburg.

Christmas on the Farm---1905

50 YEARS AGO
By Jack Reichard

General celebration of Christmas in Lancaster County, of course, dates back to the first settlers, the English, in the ways of Old England, the Swiss, Germans, Irish, Scottish and others, each following traditions and customs of their homelands. However, 50 years ago, customs of the farmer differed somewhat from that of town folks and certainly from those of today The observance of Christmas by the average farm family, one-half century ago, is of interest.

Back in 1905 Christmas Day came on Monday Preparations were begun the preceding week for the great day. The parlor, usually thrown open only for special occasions, was decorated with fir and cedar boughs Homemade candles were placed on window ledges and mantles. An evergreen tree was erected in a corner of the room, the Mecca for the eyes of the smaller children, who gazed upon the proceedings with owe and anticipation.

Cakes, Sand Tarts

For a week the women folks prepared for the celebration Many varieties of Christmas cakes were baked and stored for the occasion. There were sand tarts, peppernuts, ginger, spice and fruit cakes and other stamped into patterns of animals, stars and many other designs with cake cutters of tin and wood.

The turkey, goose or big rooster had been penned and fattened up for weeks by the farmer, to assure plenty of meat for Christmas dinner for the family and invited guests.

Early Christmas morning the farm kitchen was a scene of bustling preparation. The turkey, goose and rooster made his last squaks, lost his head and feathers, while the oven was heating and the family silverware sorted over. Even before the table was set guests started coming in. The Christmas dinner was a great event for both young and old.

Sweet Cider, Deep Red

It was a proud mother and hostess when she announced that dinner was ready. The table sparkled with the whitest of cloth and mirror-like cutlery. Candles were lighted as the group assembled around the festive board. The deep red of the glasses filled with sweet cider enhanced the beauty of the spread

Due to the large gathering at the table the carving of turkeys, and slicing big loaves of bread, took place in the kitchen

It was a reverent gathering. The head of the family looked over the table loaded with the products of his own farm and said "Let us pray" His voice was strong and resonant He asked the Heavenly Father's blessings on the family and guests Everyone's head was bowed in silence.

Throughout the meal the tree in the corner sparkled Strings of snow-white popcorn festooned the green branches Toy swan and ducks gracefully rode the artificial lake a mirror laid flat on the floor beneath the tree. Little wooden deer came down to drink unafraid of the wooden hunters or their little wooden guns.

Soft Strains of Organ

Finally the feast was over. Even the crust of the luscious pies was tasty to the last bit The hostess and her helpers removed all dishes, while the others found seats to await distribution of the presents

With the kitchen work finished, the group gathered around the Christmas tree and received gifts with cries of delight, laughter, satisfied chuckles. Who could say that the plump rag doll was not a Cinderella? Or the fur cap might not cover the head of a future successful professional or business man? Fifty year ago little was much. Hearts were thankful.

Following the singing of Christmas carols accompained by the soft strains of organ music, which even the angels must have heard, came the last farewells. With the parting of the guests, host and hostess stood in the door-way until the last departing sound along the new fallen snow on the open road was but a memory.

Time Valuable

Klaispell, Mont —After visiting his former Klaispell home, William McKinley, now 101, took a plane back to his Seattle home. McKinley explained, "That's the only way I care to travel"

Christmas
May the spirit of peace and good will of this joyous Christmas season abide with you and yours now and always.
Lancaster Farming

Tobacco Voting Polling Places Dec. 29 Listed

Polling places for the Dec. 29 Lancaster County Tobacco Growers marketing quota referendum have been announced by the 16 Agricultural and Stabilization and Conservation districts.

Polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. next Thursday and votes will be cast to approve or disapprove quotas for Pennsylvania cigar filler tobacco for the 1956, 1957 and 1958 crops. Option of voting for quotas for the next year's crop only will be eliminated from the ballot.

Revised estimates brought the 1955 crop figures to 43,350,000 lbs on an alloted acreage of 28,900. Next year's figures are 37,800,000 lbs on an alloted acreage of 24,577, a reduction of about 15 per cent in acreage, 13 per cent in poundage.

A two-thirds majority vote is necessary.

To be eligible to vote in the referendum, a farmer must have produced Pennsylvania filler tobacco (Type 41) during 1955. Notices of individual farm acreage allotments are being mailed to the operator of each farm on which Type 41 tobacco was grown during the past five years so that they may know in advance of the referendum how the quotas would affect their farming operations in 1956 if approved.

Two-Thirds Vote Needed

Any farmer who shares in a cigar filler tobacco crop this year, either as an owner, operator, share-cropper or tenant is entitled to vote.

Other ballots will also be available for the single farmer in Lancaster County who raised burley tobacco during the current year. Quotas have been in effect on this type since 1939. The referendum on this type will be nationwide and will also be the next three marketing years.

List of Polling Places

Polling places by communities follows:

Community 1—Conoy West Donegal and Mount Joy Twps: Rheems Garage, Rheems.

Community 2—East Donegal and West Hempfield Twps: Red Rose Dairy, beyong crossroads Brethren Church at Florin.

Community 3—Rapho Twp.: Paris B. Gruber Farm, one-half mile east of Mount Joy-Sporting Hill Road.

Community 4—Penn, Warwick and Elizabeth Twps.: J. Harry Hershey farm, Lititz R2, one mile north of Lititz.

Community 5—East Cocalico, West Cocalico, Brecknock and Clay Twps Stevens Fire Hall, Stevens.

Community 6 — Caernarvon, East Earl and Earl Twps.: Goodville Fire Hall, Goodville.

Community 7—Ephrata West Earl and Upper Leacock Twp.: Basement of Bareville Fire Hall, Bareville.

Community 8—Salisbury and Leacock Twp.: White Horse Fire Hall, White Horse.

Community 9—East Lampeter, West Lampeter and Lancaster Twp.; Dull's Restaurant, one-quarter mile east of Lampeter Square.

Community 10—Manheim and East Hempfield Twp: Fire Hall at Neffsville.

Community 11—Manor, Conestoga and Pequea Twp.; Kauffman's Garage at Central Manor.

Community 12—Eden, Bart and Sadsbury Twp.; Bart Fire Hall at Georgetown

Community 13—Strasburg and Paradise Twp.: Strasburg Twp. voting place, south of Strasburg Old Bunker Hill School.

Community 14 — Mantic and Providence Twp.: Rawlinsville Fire Hall, Rawlinsville.

Community 15—Drumore and East Drumore Twp.: Marron's Service Station at Cochran's Corner on Route 72

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Lancaster Farming

Penn State Extension Adds Veterinary Man

Dr. Samuel B. Guss, Lynchburg, Va., will head an extension staff in veterinary science for the Pennsylvania State University college of Agriculture, it was announced recently.

This new service will fill "a long-felt need and will strengthen the University's educational service to Pennsylvania agriculture," said Dr. Herbert R. Albrecht, director of extension.

He will work with farmers and farm organizations, primarily through county extension agents in different counties.

CAREFUL, JABBER, THAT OUTLET IS LIVE!
TILLERS
ZING
HA, HA, HA! YOU SURE LOOKED FUNNY, JABBER!
SUCH NERVE! DELIBERATELY GETTING ME IN A GOOD HUMOR JUST SO HE COULD ASK FOR A RAISE!

Bullet In Pipe.

Jensen Beach, Fla.—When Clin Boone touched a match to his pipe, while fishing recently, his pipe exploded. When Boone recovtred from the shock, he explained to other fishermen that he had reached into his pocket to fill his pipe with loose tobacco, forgetting that a .22-caliber cartridge was mixed in with the tobacco. The bullet flew upward and glanced off the rim of Boone's hat.

Farm Calendar

DECEMBER

Dec. 25—Christmas.

Dec. 26—Fulton Grange Christmas party.

Dec. 28—Farm Society 4 Christmas dinner party, covered dish

Dec. 29 — Referendum on Tobacco Marketing Quotas, Lancaster County.

JANUARY

Jan. 2-7 - Testing Milk and Cream, Short course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 4—Eggs Breakfast launching Egg Month, Lancaster Poultry Association, Poultry and Egg National Board, Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster, 8 a. m.

Jan 4-Feb. 1 - General Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 6 — (Sunset) Waterfowl season ends: Bucks, Philadelphia and Delaware counties and on Delaware River bordering these counties.

Jan. 7 - Farm Society 6, Installation of Officers, 2 p.m., home of Mrs. Daniel Eshleman, R2 Elizabethtown.

Jan. 9-10 - State Farm Women's Society Convention, Farm Show, Harrisburg.

Jan. 9-13 - Pennsylvania State Farm Show, Harrisburg.

Jan. 9-21 - Ice Cream for Plant Men Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 14 - Farm Women's Society 18 guests of Society 7, Paradise Elementary School.

Jan. 16 — New Holland Farmers Day Association, Inc. annual banquet, election of officers, 6 30 p. m. American Legion Home

17 — Second Annual Poultry Exchange Meeting, 7:30 p. m., Elementary School, Rohrerstown.

Jan. 20 - New Holland 4-H Baby Beef Council Meeting, James Wolgemuth home, R1 Bareville.

Jan. 21 - Farm Women's Society 2 meeting, Rosetown Restaurant, Manheim.

Jan. 23-27 - Rural Electrification Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 23-Feb. 4 - Market Milk Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 26 - Lancaster County Agricultural Council meeting.

Jan. 30-Feb. 11 - DHIA Supervisor Training, Pennsylvania U.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1-29 - Dairy Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Feb. 1-29 - Livestock Farming Short Course. Pennsylvania U.

Feb. 7 - Board of Directors Meeting, Lancaster County Farmers Assn., Fred Sollenberger home, Narvon.

Feb. 27-29 - Sheepmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

MARCH

March 5-9 - Feed Dealers and Millers' Short Course, Pennsylvania U

March 6-8 - Beef Cattle Herdsmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 12-16 - Grassland Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 12-16 - Lumber Grading and Inspection Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 26-30 - Dairy Cattle Herdsmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

APRIL

Apr.l 29, 30, May 1 - American Angus Conference, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Jan 9-13 - Pennsylvania Farm Show, Harrisburg.

Index of Farm Prices Lower During Month

HARRISBURG Continued declines in prices received by Pennsylvania farmers for hogs and cattle sent the price index down two points or less than 1 per cent during the month ended November 15, the State Department of Agriculture said today. Farmers received slightly higher prices than a month earlier for wheat, oats, barley, hay and milk. However, a decline of three points in livestock prices more than offset these gains, a Federal-State survey revealed.

At 244 per cent of its 1910-14 average the index stands three points below a year ago.

Farmers on November 15 were averaging only $12 80 cwt liveweight for hogs, the lowest since March 1942, the survey showed. Lower prices for hogs and cattle were only partially offset by the seasonal advance in wholesale milk. Hogs were down $1.70 cwt. from Oct. 15 and the $12.80 average compares with $20.20 on Nov. 15, 1954.

Beef cattle were down 80 cents cwt from a month earlier, calves down $1.00 and lambs down 40 cents. Sheep and milk cow prices were unchanged from a year ago.

Chicken prices averaged 21.5 cents a pound liveweight, down 1.2 cents per pound from a month earlier, but nearly three cents above a year ago. Eggs brought farmers an average of 51 cents a dozen, down one cent from Oct. 15 but six cents higher than a year ago. At an average of 38 cents a pound, live turkeys were one cent above Oct. 15 and two cents higher than on Nov. 15 last year.

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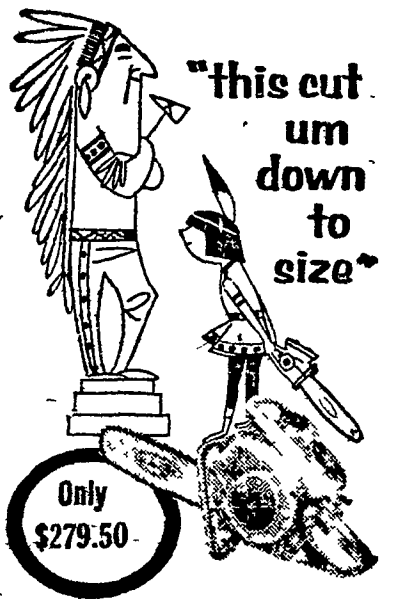

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December

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29 — Benj. K. and Anna Mary Stoltzfus, north of Rt. 23 at Maxwell Hill stone Quarry, Caernarvon Twp., 2 farm properties; first 1:30 p. m., second 2:30 p. m.

31 — Isaac K. Beiler, mile south of Rt. 23 (Caernarvon Twp., Berks County), 2 mi east of Morgantown, 110-acre farm, stone bldgs., running water. 2 p m.

JANUARY

Jan. 7 — John E. Snyder, midway between New Holland and Hinkletown, real estate and personal property, 1 p. m.

Reuther says '56 will return government to people.

The White House Conference on Education ended a four-day meeting with a call for Federal

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County Session For Vegetable Growers

Arrangements for the conty-wide meeting Jan. 18 were outlined by the general committee of the Lancaster County Vegetable Growers in a meeting at the Farm Bureau in Lancaster recently.

Committees named include: Building and Meals: Walter Shank, Menno Sauder, Reeder Young and George Manning; Program: J. Lloyd Sheaffer, John Stehman, William Jacobs and Snavely Garber; Entertainment: Carl Landis, Russel Eshleman, John Neff and Oscar Firey. Assisting in planning will be Associate Lancaster County Agent Harry S. Sloat.

Anthony R. Stoe, orchard Manager for Herr's Orchards, Central Manor, has been reelected president of the Lancaster County Fruit Growers Association.

A committee of six was named to handle the county's entry in the 1956 Pennsylvania Farm Show. They are J. C. Schuldt, Elizabethtown; Chris Kauffman, R1 Ephrata; Mr. Snyder; Jacob Houser, Lampeter; Robert Herr, RD Lancaster, and Mahlon Risser, Columbia.

Selection of a new Apple Queen for Lancaster County will be made Tuesday, Dec. 27 to compete in the Feb. 15 state contest at York The present queen is Miss Priscilla Weaver, Bird-in-Hand. Requirments for eligibility are: between 18 and 21 years of age, related to an apple grower, and she must have some knowledge of apples.

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One-fouth of the entire year's retail sales will be transacted during the month of December, according to Samuel Dawson, business analyst. By the first of the year the nation's total output of goods and services may nudge the $400 billion a year mark for the first time in history.

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USDA Secretary Announces Decision On New York-New Jersey Milk Plans

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Agriculture Benson Dec. 15 issues an invitation for the submission of proposals for new or revised regulation of the handling of milk in the New York-New Jersey area and set forth certain principles to which any proposals submtited should conform Jan 16, 1956 was fixed as the date by which the proposals are to be filed

The action taken Dec 15 follows a series of public meetings held during recent months relating to marketing problems in the New York-New Jersey area and invites the submission of proposals either (1) for a single order to regulate all of the milk supply for the present New York marketing area plus additional nearby territory including Northern New Jersey, or (2) for one or more separate new orders, provided that in either case, adequate provision is made in such proposals to (a) insure that producers under either form of regulation carry the surplus associated with their fluid outlets, and (b) achieve the required stability throughout the entire metropolitan milk shed without forcing disorderly and uneconomic shifting of supplies and outlets

Will Shorten Time

The Secretary stated that "My decision today setting forth the principles which should be followed in developing new or revised regulation for the area, rather than to outline the precise form of regulation should shorten the time required to get the necessary new or revised regulation into effect."

Full text of the statemen follows

"In contemplation of the scheduling of any public hearing relative to proposed new or revised Federal or joint Federal-State regulation of the handling of milk in the New York-New Jersey area, three public meetings have been held by the Department Such meeting were in session for a total of 17 days (July 18-22, Oct 4-7, and Nov. 14-23)

"A determination was made on Oct. 21, 1955, that the maximum additional territory (outside the New York marketing area) for which new or revised regulation would be considered at a public hearing is the territory within the New Jersey counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Somerset Sussex, Union, and Warren, and the New York counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, and Ulster

"The question considered at the last public meeting (concluded on Nov 23) was whether, for purposes of a subsequent notices of hearing, the handling of milk in the additional territory should be regulated (a) in combination with the present New York milk marketing area under a single order, or (b) by means of one or more separate new orders The information presented at these meetings has been reviewed and analyzed.

Six Principles Listed

"I have given very careful consideration to this complicated problem and have concluded that recognition must be given to the following principles in establishing any new or revised regulation for the territory under consideration.

"1. The proximity of Northern New Jersey to metropolitan New York and the fact that there is to a considerable degree a common source of supply, make the marketing and pricing of milk in this region closely interdependent

"2. The apparent desire and determination of certain groups of producers and handlers for one or more separate marketing orders, and the apparent desire and determination of other groups of producers and handlers for a single marketing order for the entire marketing area constitute differences only as to means of accomplishing an objective rather than disagreement regarding the basic objective of providing orderly marketing in the entire area.

"3. The legitimate interests and obligations of various producer groups must be recognized and provided for regardless of whether regulation is by one order or more than one order.

"4 Among the interests of New Jersey producers is the recognition of any natural economic advantages accruing from nearness to market and any better adjustments they may have made in fitting their patern of production to market needs Associated with these interests is the need o assume a responsibility for carrying the surplus connected with the fluid milk supply for Northern New Jersey.

"5. Among the interests of producers now under the New York order is the recognition that they should not be required to carry the surplus for Northern New Jersey without the benefits that accrue from sales of fluid milk there, and that they should not be subjected to chaotic marketing condiions which might result from ill-conceived Federal regulation. On the other hand, they have the obligation of supporting the type of additional Federal regulation which would protect the legitimate interests of the additional producers to whom such regulation would apply.

"6 Either a comprehensive order or a separate order for New Jersey must be devised so as (a) to insure that producers under either type of order carry the surplus associated with their fluid outlets, and (b) to achieve the required stability throughout the enire metropolitan milkshed wihout forcing disorderly and abnormal maneuvering of supplies and outlets.

Asks for Proposals

"After establishing the above set of principles, I have decided to invite interested parties to submit proposals containing terms and provisions which are in accordance with such principles and which are in one of the following forms:

"(1) A single order covering all of the milk supply for the present Order No. 27 marketing area plus all or a portion of the additional territory under consideration, with adequate provisions (a) for protecting the interests of New Jersey producers because of their location and the degree of adjustments of their production to market outlets, and (b) for solving marketing problems not now adequately handled under Order No. 27.

"(2) A separate order for New Jersey, with or without all or a portion of the six nearby New York counties, and which will include terms and provisions under which such order will (a) carry the surplus associated with its fluid outlets; (b) provide for such minimum uniform prices to producers that there will be no incentive for uneconomic and disorderly shifting of producers or plants from one market outlet to another, and (c) provide for close alignment of minimum class prices Any such proposed order should be accompanied by proposed amendments to Order No. 24 for purposes of making the two orders complementary.

"The purpose of decision today setting forth the principles which should be folowed in developing new or revised regulation for the area, rather than to outline the precise form of regulation, should shorten the time required to get the necessary new or revised regulation into effect."

Proposals should be forwarded in quadruplicate to the Dairy Divisron, Agricultural Marketing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D C, to be received there on or before Jan. 16, 1956.

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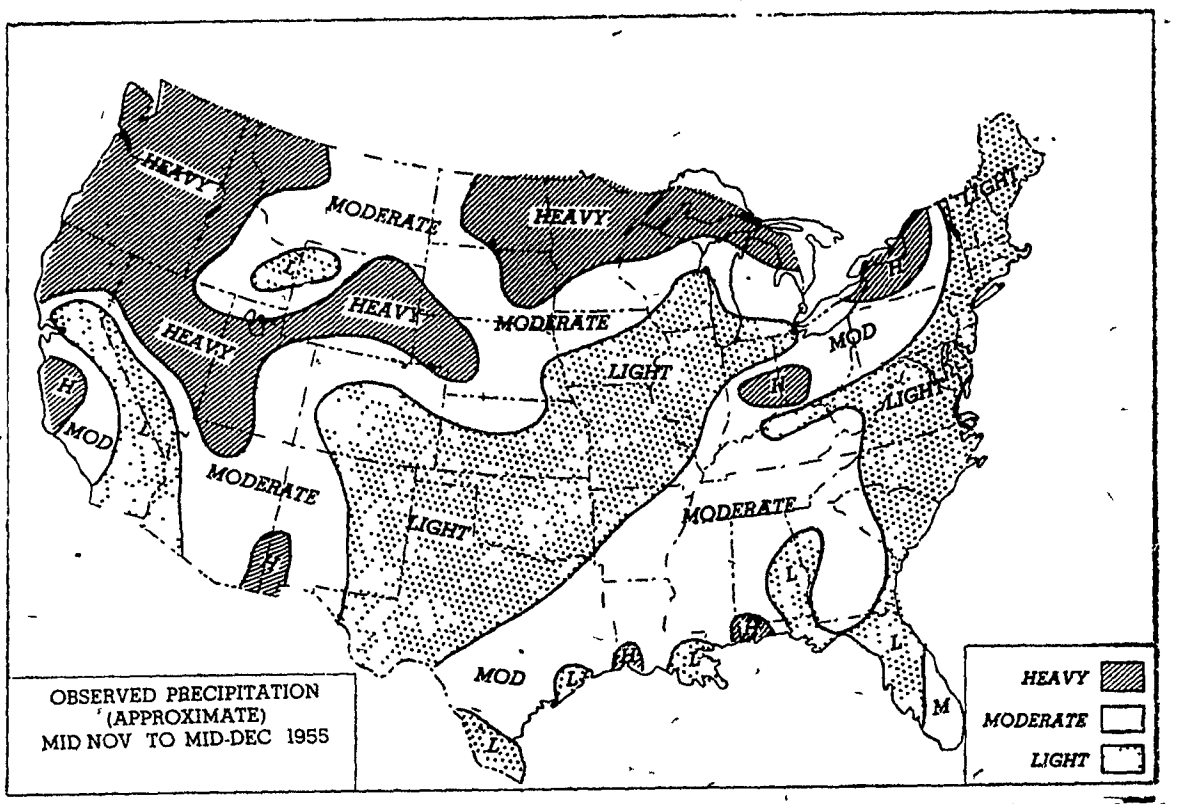

This chart shows the general nature of the total precipitation which fell during the preceding 30 days. Precipitation is expressed in three classes: light, moderate, and heavy, and the precipitation amounts which determine these classes are obtained from an analysis of many years of record at many stations. Like temperature classes, the numerical ranges, varying from place to place and month to month, are given on page 4 of the Outlook issued one month ago.

BUSINESS SCHOOLS

The nation's business schools are expected to double their enrollment in the next fifteen years, according to Dr Thomas L. Norton, new dean of the N. Y. University School of Commerce, Accounts and Finance. Business colleges and graduate schools had grown from a few thousand students in 1910 to about 300,000 today and, by 1970, enrollment is expected to total 600,000

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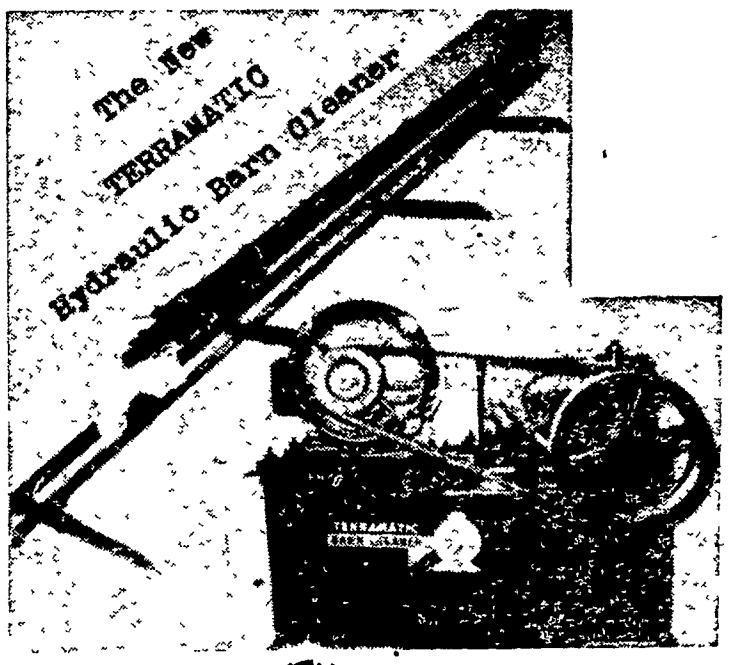

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